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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: IB Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am writing today in support of LightSquared's efforts to launch a new nationwide 4G-LTE broadband wireless network. This network holds the potential for an increase in the amount of spectrum assigned to broadband wireless, a crucial goal of the National Broadband Plan.

LightSquared is already an established satellite communications provider to both the public safety community and homeland security community. The ability of their network to reach remote areas and provide seamless secure connectivity greatly benefits thousands of first responders, healthcare workers, and emergency response personnel.

LightSquared's network - which relies on traditional ground-based cell towers, and is backed up by satellite — could well result in a significant increase in access to wireless broadband for millions of Americans who currently lack it, especially in rural areas that have historically suffered from lack of access to broadband wireless internet.

In addition, LightSquared will operate as a wholesale provider, allowing smaller wireless providers to offer world-class service and enable new competitors to enter the wireless market. Such competition could well spark new innovations, greater customer choice and lower prices.

Unquestionably, the potential for interference with GPS devices is a serious issue that must be addressed by the Federal Communications Commission. As such, LightSquared has proposed launching its service only in the lower region of its licensed spectrum, which reportedly solves more than 99% of GPS interference issues.

Given the United States' urgent need for expanded wireless broadband capacity, this is an issue that should be carefully considered by the Federal Communications Commission and given the due process it deserves so that a fair and objective decision can be made for all parties involved.

Sincerely yours,

Chuck Muth

President